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WELCOME TO SUMMIT 2026



It is my privilege as Chairperson of The Wheel to welcome you to our annual Summit.

The theme of today's Summit, Community at the Heart of our Democracy, is particularly timely as Ireland prepares to assume the EU Presidency on 1 July. This is a vital opportunity to recognise, strengthen and champion the connection between community and voluntary action and democratic decision-making.

We are greatly honoured to welcome Séamus Boland, the 35th President of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), the body that advises the European Parliament, the Council of the EU, and the European Commission on matters ranging from social affairs to energy and sustainability. Many of you will know Séamus from his previous role as CEO of Irish Rural Link, among many other prominent roles in Ireland and Europe. He has always been a close partner and champion of The Wheel and our sector, and it is heartening to see him leading his presidency under the banner of putting civil society at the heart of Europe.

We are also delighted to welcome Minister Jerry Buttimer TD, and we look forward to the Government's announcement of its new five-year strategy to support the community and voluntary sector later this year.

As in previous years, the day is packed with rich contributions, including inputs from members of The Wheel. I hope you will take the opportunity to listen, learn and contribute to the day's discussions and workshops.

The Wheel's Summit has become a key date in the sector's annual calendar, and I wish to thank our staff team for putting together such a compelling programme.

A special word of appreciation goes to our sponsors, Arachas, Arthur Cox and Peninsula, whose generous support makes this important gathering possible. We are equally grateful to the many exhibitors joining us today.

Finally, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to my fellow trustees and the members of our board sub-committees. Their dedication and hard work, often behind the scenes, are central to advancing The Wheel's vision: a thriving charity and community sector at the heart of a fair, just and inclusive Ireland.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Inez Bailey". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal dashed line.

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PROGRAMME

8.30 AM – 9.45 AM: REGISTRATION (GROUND FLOOR), EXPO (GROUND, 1 & 2)

9.45 AM - 11.00 AM: PLENARY 1 MAHONY HALL (GROUND FLOOR)

WELCOME - INEZ BAILEY, CHAIRPERSON OF THE WHEEL

KEYNOTE & PLENARY SESSION: COMMUNITY AT THE HEART OF OUR DEMOCRACY

- Keynote: Séamus Boland, President of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC)
 - Response: Lorraine Egan, Chief Executive Officer of Horizons, Cope Foundation in Cork Communities
 - In conversation: Séamus Boland and Lorraine Egan (chaired by Inez Bailey)
 - Audience Q & A
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11.00 AM - 11.30 AM: COFFEE BREAK (FLOORS 1 & 2) & EXPO (FLOORS G, 1 & 2)

11.30 AM - 1.00 PM: PLENARY 2 MAHONY HALL (GROUND FLOOR)

Stories from the Heart of Our Communities

An engaging storytelling session exploring the lived experience of five people working and volunteering in our sector. Chair: Sharon Hughes, The Wheel

Jerry Buttimer TD, Minister of State at the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht

1.00 PM - 2.15 PM: LUNCH (ALL FLOORS) & MINDFULNESS SESSION (THE SPACE, 1.45 PM)

Join us for a stand-up networking lunch.

Take a 15-minute mindful pause in The Space (ground floor) where you will be guided by Helena Dilleen (Giddy Studios), an accredited mindfulness coach and Mental Health First Aid Trainer. Leave feeling grounded and ready for the rest of your Summit experience.

2.15 PM - 3.40 PM PARALLEL SESSIONS (FLOORS G AND 2)

Delegates can attend any one of the following breakout sessions. Space limited. First-come, first-served.

Governance in Action: Leading Charities Through Change and Crisis (Mahoney Hall, ground floor)

Building Readiness: Future Skills for the Nonprofit Sector (The Theatre, Ground Floor)

The Changing Face of Volunteering: Embracing Innovation for Greater Impact (The Space, Ground Floor)

Stronger Together: The Importance of Cross-Sectoral Advocacy (Blue Room, 2nd floor)

Doing Community Research: Book Launch and Discussion on Engaged Research (The Gallery, 2nd floor)

Working Across Borders: Challenges, Learning and Impact (The Studio, 2nd floor)

Making the Most of the Irish Presidency of the EU (The Boardroom, Second Floor)

3.55 PM - 4.40 PM: PLENARY 3 (MAHONY HALL, GROUND FLOOR)

Emma Murtagh (The Wheel) will summarise the key insights from the member-led parallel sessions.

Special address by Eamon Ryan: Keeping Hope Alive: The Role of Civil Society in Forging a Fairer and Safer Future

4.40 PM - 6.00 PM: RECEPTION (FOYER, GROUND FLOOR)

Join us for an informal drinks reception.

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SPEAKERS & CONTRIBUTORS

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS



Séamus Boland was elected as President of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) in October 2025. He has been an EESC Member since 2011. He has held different roles at the Committee, including President of the Civil Society Organisations’ Group (2020-2025) and Vice President of the Civil Society Organisations’ Group (2018-2020). His policy and political interests include the eradication of poverty, social exclusion, rural development and inequality. Séamus has been CEO of Irish Rural Link since 2001, Chair of the Peatlands Council since 2012 and a Board Member of Inland Fisheries Ireland (2018-2022). In October 2024, he was appointed to the Just Transition Commission as an independent expert by the Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications in Ireland. President Boland is a farmer and has worked in civil society for over 40 years, including with young people, ethnic minorities, people with disabilities and people living in rural isolation. He is a trained Speech and Drama Educator. President Boland is married to Geraldine Boland and has three children and three grandchildren.



Jerry Buttimer is Minister of State at the Department of Rural and Community Development and at the Department of Transport. He has been a TD for the Cork South-Central constituency since the 2024 general election, and previously from 2011 to 2016. He was Cathaoirleach of Seanad Éireann from December 2022 to November 2024, and Leas-Chathaoirleach from July 2020 to August 2020. He also served as a Senator for the Labour Panel from 2007 to 2011 and 2016 to 2024, and as Leader of Fine Gael in the Seanad from 2016 to 2020.



Eamon Ryan is a former Minister for Environment, Climate, Communications and Transport from 2020 to 2025, having previously been Minister for Energy from 2007 to 2011. He was a TD for 17 years between 2002 and 2024. He is now Chair of the European Commission Housing Advisory Board, and also a High Level Advocate for the Climate and Clean Energy Coalition, a voluntary partnership of over 200 governments, international agencies, businesses, scientific institutions and civil society organisations committed to improving air quality and protecting the climate by tackling short-lived super pollutants. He also writes a regular column for The Irish Times.

2026 saw the release of *Forever is Now*, a fly-on-the-wall documentary about his last 18 months in Government. Interwoven with the international climate diplomacy and the domestic political wrangling is his tender relationship with his autistic son, Tommy, reflecting his persistence, empathy, and belief that lasting change - whether in politics or family - requires patience and hope.

PLEANRY SPEAKERS



Inez Bailey is CEO of the Centre for Effective Services (CES) and Chairperson of The Wheel. She is responsible for leading the CES team and implementing the organisation’s strategy in line with the vision and leadership of the Board. Before joining CES, Inez was the Chief Executive of the National Adult Literacy Agency (NALA), a role she held for more than 20 years. NALA is an independent charity committed to making sure people with literacy, numeracy and basic digital skills needs can fully take part in society and have access to learning opportunities. Inez served on the inaugural Healthy Ireland Council and is a former member of the Government’s Expert Group on Future Skills Needs, which advises the Government on skills needs and labour market issues that impact enterprise and employment growth. She has served as Chair and Board member of a range of charity and statutory

bodies. Inez is a graduate of the University of Sheffield (EdD) and Maynooth University (BA, MA, Dip) and holds a Certificate in Leader as Coach from the Association of Coaching.



Lorraine Egan is the Chief Executive of Horizons, Cope Foundation in Cork. She has responsibility for working with Horizons' Board of Directors and Executive Management Team to ensure the organisation's vision, strategy and long-term goals are delivered. Lorraine has over 25 years' experience in the health and social care sector in Ireland. She commenced her career in frontline disability service delivery progressing to middle and senior leadership positions. In 2013 Lorraine was appointed as one of the Health Information and Quality Authority's (HIQA's) first inspectors with disability expertise when the Health Act 2007 Regulations for the disability sector were enacted. Since then, Lorraine has held several senior management positions with the Health Services Executive (HSE) and the National Council for Special Education (NCSE). Lorraine's most recent role was with HSE South West as General Manager for Disability Services, where she had responsibility for the procuring, funding, delivery and monitoring of disability services for the Cork and Kerry population.

STORIES FROM THE HEART OF OUR COMMUNITY



Kiren Khalid is an experienced advocacy professional specialising in complex and evolving multicultural dynamics. She recently completed a Management degree in the Social and Voluntary Sector, focusing on migrant women's inclusion, integration needs, and employment opportunities. With a background in advocacy, she worked in Pakistan and Afghanistan post-9/11 as an Advocacy Officer with an INGO. A migrant woman herself, Kiren holds degrees in Communication Studies and Development Studies. She began her journey with Nasc six years ago as a volunteer on the Women's Programme and now leads it as Programme Manager, overseeing its coordination, growth, and impact. With a focus on empowerment, skill-building, and community engagement, she designs and leads initiatives that address social isolation, language barriers, and economic inclusion. Her work centers on amplifying women's voices, fostering resilience, and ensuring meaningful participation in society.



Sorcha Killian is the Co-Founder of Hygiene Hub, a national social enterprise working to address hygiene poverty. Since its founding, the organisation has grown from a grassroots initiative to a nationwide network supporting over 30,000 people per quarter through more than 160 community partners. Hygiene Hub Ireland has distributed over €700,000 worth of essential hygiene products and delivered more than 125,000kg of supplies to communities across Ireland. Sorcha has been recognised as a Social Entrepreneurs Ireland Awardee and, alongside her cofounder Ciara Dalton, was nominated for the Image PwC Social Entrepreneur of the Year Awards. She is a passionate advocate for systems change, focusing on collaboration, dignity in service design, and long-term solutions to poverty and inequality.



Amina Moustafa has extensive experience in using community development and sports-based approaches to promoting social inclusion, building community resilience and addressing social issues. Amina currently works with Louth Local Development supporting families and communities experiencing marginalisation and poverty. Amina previously worked with the Glenree Centre for Peace and Reconciliation supporting women who have been affected by conflict and connecting women peacebuilders on an all-island basis. She is passionate about using sport for social inclusion and has been involved with Sport Against Racism Ireland since 2014. She holds a BA in Neuroscience from Trinity College and a Degree in Global Youth Work and Development Education from Maynooth University.



Damien Quinn is the founder of Spéire Nua, an organisation supporting people to rebuild their lives through lived experience leadership, peer mentoring, personal development, policy entrepreneurship, and innovation. With a strong focus on rehabilitation, reintegration, opportunity creation, authentic connection, and championing lasting change, Damien works across Ireland to create pathways for people impacted by the justice system, helping turn lived experience into leadership, policy influence, purpose, and lasting community connection.



Paula Soraghan is a proud disabled woman who is very passionate about activism through an intersectional lens. She understands the importance of Collective Empowerment and representation. Paula is employed as the VOICE Community Development Worker for Kilkenny, Carlow, Wexford & Waterford in Independent Living Movement Ireland since January 2022. As part of this work, Paula is connecting with disabled people from different backgrounds and working collectively with them in online spaces to make social change. Paula is passionate about peer support and disabled people sharing their lived experiences as a collective to bring about change!

PARALLEL SESSION SPEAKERS



Maura Adshead is Head of Community Engagement and Professor of Politics and Public Administration at the University of Limerick (UL), where she leads UL Engage. Located in the Office of the Vice President for Global and Community Engagement, UL Engage is responsible for developing and supporting community-university partnerships, engaged research and community engaged learning at the University of Limerick. She is a former president of the Political Studies Association of Ireland and a regular political commentator on Irish TV, radio, newspapers and online journals in Ireland and internationally. She is a strong advocate for university-community engagement, using her position to hammer home the importance of communities driving their own development agenda - because when it comes to community development, people who live in communities are the best experts to consult and include.



Jay Bobinac is Chief Executive Officer of Release Prison Partnership, an Irish nonprofit working to reduce reoffending through restorative justice and long-term support for people in and leaving prison. Release operates across Irish prisons, delivering restorative justice education, mentoring that continues after release, recovery and behaviour change programmes, and practical reintegration support, including housing and employment pathways. Jay holds an Honours Bachelor's degree and two Master's degrees in Peacekeeping and International Development, and Social Care, alongside professional qualifications in social care and business. He is a recipient of the Lord Mayor's Award and the Irish Red Cross Young Humanitarian Award for his work.



Jenny Branigan is Territory Manager for parkrun Ireland, supporting the growth and sustainability of a free, inclusive, community event that takes place every weekend across the country. With a background as a Chartered Physiotherapist and many years of experience across healthcare, leadership and public health advocacy, she is passionate about removing barriers to participation so that everyone can enjoy the benefits of being active, being social and spending time outdoors. She has previously worked in elite sport, founded and led a healthcare business, and served in governance roles, experience which she now brings to championing parkrun's mission and community impact.



Dr Eoin Byrne is the Employer Services Manager at Grow Remote, overseeing Ireland's largest remote work skills programme. Before joining Grow Remote, Eoin was a researcher and lecturer at the University of Galway. He is the recipient of several prestigious research funding fellowships and has been invited to speak in several countries across Europe and North America. He has extensive experience in designing and delivering courses at third level and for adult education, both online and in person, and in multilingual contexts. He also leads Grow Remote's Policy Team, providing policy inputs and briefs to government in relation to national strategy and legislation.



Nicola Byrne is CEO of Shine, a national organisation working to support people affected by mental illness and to reduce stigma in Ireland. She leads Shine's strategic engagement across research, policy and service delivery, with a particular focus on embedding lived experience in decision-making. Nicola has worked across both the voluntary and statutory sectors, bringing a cross-system perspective to the development of partnerships between community organisations, researchers and public services. She has developed national platforms for participatory engagement, including Shine's Voice Platform, Reference Group and Ambassador Programme, which inform research, policy and service design. She works closely with academic institutions, the HSE and government departments to advance rights-based, recovery-oriented approaches to mental health. Nicola holds two Master's degrees, including an MSc in Applied Social Research from Trinity College Dublin, and is a registered social worker.



Karen Ciesielski has been the CEO of the Irish Environmental Network since 2019. She is the Coordinator of the Environmental Pillar of social dialogue and represents the Pillar on the National Economic and Social Council (NESCC). Previously, she worked for Focus Ireland and spent 10 years at the Irish Council for Civil Liberties.



Maggie Clune began her career in the private sector in customer service, sales and marketing. She has worked with PACE for 12 years, initially as Training and Social Enterprise Manager and then as CEO. She played a key role in developing PACE Social Enterprise, including The Mug Shot coffee businesses, creating employment opportunities for people with criminal records. Her work has received national and international recognition. Maggie just completed a PhD researching entrepreneurship for people with criminal records. Maggie is chair of the Justice Community Network, which represents Justice funded Community organisations nationally.



Jenny Courtney is the CEO of Belvedere Youth Club CLG. She brings over 15 years of leadership experience to the nonprofit sector, grounded in a strong foundation in business management. As CEO of Belvedere Youth Club, she drives strategic growth, operational excellence, and sustainable social impact. Jenny has held diverse leadership roles across the voluntary sector, leading teams, strengthening performance, and delivering measurable outcomes. Drawing on her lived experience of marginalised communities, she is deeply committed to expanding opportunity for children, young people, and families. Jenny champions innovation, partnership, and empowerment to help communities overcome barriers, realise potential, and advance social justice.



Dr Lyndsey El Amoud is Deputy Director of Adult Continuing Education (ACE) at University College Cork, where she leads the strategic development of flexible, part-time and lifelong learning programmes for adult learners. With extensive experience in widening access and participation, she works to ensure that ACE offers inclusive, responsive and high-quality learning opportunities that support individuals, communities and enterprise. Lyndsey plays a significant leadership role in shaping lifelong learning policy and practice nationally and internationally. She represents UCC in major national initiatives in lifelong learning and contributes to European collaborations focused on flexible learning pathways, equity, and adult participation in higher education.



Maria Fleming is Chief Executive Officer of First Fortnight, Ireland’s national mental health arts charity and annual Mental Health Arts & Culture Festival. With over 20 years’ experience in arts leadership and cultural production, she has worked with Dublin Theatre Festival, The Ark and Druid Theatre Company. She leads First Fortnight’s role in a major EU cultural collaboration, match funded by the Arts Council of Ireland, overseeing communications across the European partnership. Maria is Chair of the National Campaign for the Arts and helped secure the Basic Income for Artists permanently in Budget 2026. She also serves on the board of the Irish Cancer Society.



Angie Gough is CEO and co-founder of Helping Irish Hosts (HIH), a grassroots organisation founded in response to the invasion of Ukraine. HIH supported ordinary Irish households to open their homes to displaced people, building the practical systems and safeguarding supports needed to make hosting work at scale. The organisation has directly matched over 3,000 people into 1,500 homes and helped shape Ireland’s wider hosting model. Angie is part of the leadership of Co.Here, an EU-supported integration pilot developed in partnership with UCD and Pairity, focused on smart matching and deep community engagement. She is passionate about community-led solutions and keeping people at the heart of big decisions.



Eva Gurn is CEO of Boardmatch. She joined the organisation in 2011 and was promoted to CEO in 2018 having held the position of Director since 2015. Eva is responsible for the overall strategic direction of Boardmatch, ensuring it achieves its objectives and continues to strengthen boards and make them more diverse. Eva is passionate about how boards recruit, engaging new audiences to volunteer on boards and innovative in the ways we can do it.



Lorna Hayes is Deputy CEO of European Movement Ireland, leading on policy and engagement programmes. Lorna is an experienced researcher and advocate with 20 years’ experience working with leading international human rights and development organisations including Trócaire, Amnesty International and Front Line Defenders. During her career she has successfully designed and led research and campaigning strategies and presented her research findings to a range of audiences. She has managed country programmes in complex contexts such as Central America, Colombia and Myanmar and worked closely with civil society networks in all world regions.



Sarah Jane Hennelly and **Maria Cleary** are Co-CEOs of Community Therapy Ireland, pioneering a collaborative shared-CEO model that balances complementary expertise, trust, and values-driven leadership. Together, they are redefining senior leadership in Ireland’s mental health sector, showing that delivering meaningful impact and thriving parenthood are not mutually exclusive. Through CTI, members provide trauma-informed, recovery-focused, rights-based therapy nationwide, supporting over 80,000 people across every county. With two decades of combined experience in governance, policy, digital innovation, and clinical standards, Sarah Jane and Maria are shaping a model of leadership built to last.



Dr Avril Kennan is CEO of Health Research Charities Ireland (HRCI), a national organisation that brings together over 40 health research charities representing people affected by cancer, rare disease, mental health conditions, dementia, disability and a wide range of chronic illnesses. HRCI works to turn hope into reality by supporting charities to engage in research that improves lives. Under Avril’s leadership, the organisation strengthens partnerships between charities and researchers, enables people and families to influence research decisions, and advances national efforts to better understand, prevent and treat health conditions. She leads the Irish Health Research Forum, bringing together stakeholders to shape better health research in Ireland, and oversees the Joint Funding

Scheme with the Health Research Board, which has funded over 150 projects aligned with member priorities. Avril holds a PhD in genetics, previously worked as a molecular biologist, and held senior roles in DEBRA Ireland and DEBRA International.



Sarah McCague is a partner in the Arthur Cox Pensions and Charity Law groups. In relation to pensions, she advises trustees and employers on the establishment and day-to-day operation of occupational pension schemes including: on scheme restructuring, liability management exercises, benefit design, benefit reductions, scheme amendments and administration queries. In relation to charities, she advises on the Charities Act, 2009 and the Charities (Amendment) Act, 2024 and in particular in relation to applications to the Charities Regulatory Authority (CRA); obtaining tax-exempt status from the Revenue Commissioners; the mergers of charities; investigations by the CRA; fundraising queries; cy-prés applications and governance matters. Sarah sits on the Arthur Cox Sustainable Business Committee and is the partner responsible for charity matters. She lectures on the Law Society Certificate in Charity Law, Trusteeship and Governance and is a director of Charities Institute Ireland.



Celine McStravick joined NICVA as Chief Executive in January 2023. She has key responsibility for engagement with Government Ministers and their departments on policy issues that interest voluntary and community organisations in Northern Ireland. Celine started her involvement in the voluntary and community sector as a volunteer youth leader, moving on to roles in local councils developing European-funded projects as part of the Peace 1 programme. Before joining NICVA, Celine was Strategic Director with National Children's Bureau (NCB) for 14 years.



Michelle Moore is the National Home Visiting Manager at the Early Learning Initiative, National College of Ireland. She has over 20 years of experience in early childhood education, leadership, and programme management. Michelle holds an honours degree in Early Childhood Education and a Master's in Business Administration. She oversees national home visiting and parental engagement programmes, focusing on implementation, training, quality assurance, and impact. She also serves on the governing body of the National College of Ireland and is a member of the executive committee of the Home Visiting Alliance and PEIN.



Louise Lennon is the Policy and Communications Officer at Irish Rural Link. She has been the Policy and Communications Officer with Irish Rural Link (IRL) since 2016. Louise's work includes engaging members and rural communities to inform IRL's policy positions for submissions to relevant Government Departments. Louise represents IRL at Community and Voluntary Pillar meetings with the various Government Departments. She is also the current secretariat for the C&V Pillar. She represents IRL on the Our Rural Future Implementation Group, the European Rural Parliament and Coalition 2030. She represents the Social Inclusion Pillar of the PPN National Advisory Group.



Niall Mulligan is CEO of the Peter McVerry Trust. He has worked within the charity sector since 1990, specifically in the areas of addiction, justice, homelessness, HIV & sexual health, suicide prevention, human rights & social justice, mental health, and poverty. Niall has held senior management positions in some of Ireland's leading charities.



Jason O'Donovan is the founder of Social Factory, a mission-driven social enterprise exploring new models of civic infrastructure designed to strengthen participation, wellbeing and local economic activity. With a background in architecture, his work focuses on how the design of physical environments and community programmes can influence social outcomes, particularly among young people. Jason's research examined how underused buildings could be reimaged as collaborative spaces supporting creativity, learning and social connection. He is currently developing a pilot model in Ireland while engaging with European initiatives exploring the role of design, participation and the social economy in building stronger communities.



James O'Hagan is Head of Health Equity and Inclusion Programmes and Partnerships at LGBT Ireland, where he leads national initiatives to improve health outcomes and inclusion for LGBTQ+ people. His work focuses on strengthening equity in health and social care through professional training, cross-sector partnerships, and programmes addressing issues such as intimate partner abuse, mental health, and inclusive care for older LGBTQ+ people.



Dáibhí O'Leary is a Legal Director in the Governance & Consulting Services team in Arthur Cox LLP. Having trained and qualified as a chartered accountant with one of the "big four" accounting firms, he has written *The Law of Statutory Audits (2024)*, and previously contributed the chapter on "Financial Statements, Audit and Annual Returns" to Courtney, *The Law of Companies*, (4th ed; 2016). He has also contributed to Bloomsbury Professional's *Guide to the Companies Act 2014 (2015)*. He works with a wide range of companies of all sizes, as well as with semi-State Bodies and not-for-profit organisations, and has extensive experience in advising on questions of corporate governance and company law.



Brendan Owens is a Programme Manager in the Education and Public Engagement team at Research Ireland. He has an academic background in Physics and Astronomy, and Science Communication. Over the past 15 years he has held education and public engagement positions at the Royal Observatory Greenwich, Science Gallery Dublin and the Institute of Physics before joining Research Ireland in 2025.



Christina Riordan is Project Manager of The Changing Lives Initiative, a cross-border, community-led early intervention project to address neurodevelopmental conditions, such as ADHD and Autism. Christina joined Archways, lead partner in The Changing Lives Initiative, in August 2017 to manage the first INTERREG VA-funded Changing Lives project. Following successful delivery of the initial 3.5 year project and further work funded through the All Island Fund, What Works and the HSE; Christina is now managing delivery of the new 4-year PEACEPLUS-funded phase of the project to deliver a new cross-border community-based early intervention pathway for neurodevelopmental concerns.



Jelena Simic is an Early Years leader and Programme Coordinator at Preparing For Life, with extensive experience in programme design, mentoring, and quality improvement across Early Years services. She holds a BA (Hons) in Early Childhood Education and an MA in Mentoring, Management and Leadership from Technological University Dublin (TUD). She specialises in translating policy into practical, high-quality programme delivery, supporting educators and services to strengthen practice through training, coaching, and reflective practice. Passionate about infant mental health, trauma-informed practice, and the power of play, she is dedicated to empowering educators to help children thrive and reach their full potential.



Aoife Smith is a transformative leader at the Great Care Co-op (GCC), Ireland's first worker-owned care cooperative. A pioneering model developed by and for carers, addresses the sector's systemic workforce crises, low wages, high turnover, and the labour market disadvantage of low waged women and migrant workers in the home care sector. By replacing precarious employment with democratic ownership, GCC supports people to move from isolated workers to shared business ownership. Aoife is a leading advocate for ethical workforce development, proving that sustainable recruitment in the Irish care economy requires dismantling discrimination and empowering the frontline, is financially and ethically viable.



Anthony Soares is the Director of the Centre for Cross Border Cooperation. He oversees the development and advocacy of policies at regional, national and European levels that support sustainable cross-border and transnational cooperation. He has designed and led many cross-border cooperation projects, with many of them working with organisations in the community and voluntary sector to support them in building their capacity to establish sustainable cross-border partnerships.



Dr Alyson Staunton is Head of Mission at Bon Secours Hospital Dublin, and is a member of the hospital management team with responsibility for pastoral care, ethics, community outreach and mission integration. She holds a PhD in theology and has lectured at Dublin City University, Trinity College Dublin and Villanova University as well as having extensive experience of working in corporate law.



Garry Walsh is the Campaigns Manager at Oxfam Ireland since January 2026. Before that, he spent almost 15 years in Trócaire, including three years as Campaigns Manager. He chairs the Stop Climate Chaos (SCC) Coalition's Action Working Group and was centrally involved in organising the National Climate Demonstration last November and the SCC Mass Lobby of the new Dáil in December 2025. Garry started his career as the National Coordinator of the Ireland Palestine Solidarity Campaign and in Trócaire led their campaign work for the enactment of the Occupied Territories Bill.



Amy Woods is the Head of Advocacy and Engagement at Volunteer Ireland. Amy has been with Volunteer Ireland since 2015, and took on the role of Head of Advocacy and Engagement in 2023. She oversees the organisation's communications, advocacy, research, and the Community Volunteers programme, ensuring strategic alignment and impact. As the primary spokesperson, Amy represents Volunteer Ireland across national and sectoral forums and builds strong partnerships with stakeholders. Amy acts as primary spokesperson for the organisation and represents Volunteer Ireland on a number of fora. Managing a small team, Amy strives to set a culture in line with Volunteer Ireland's values.



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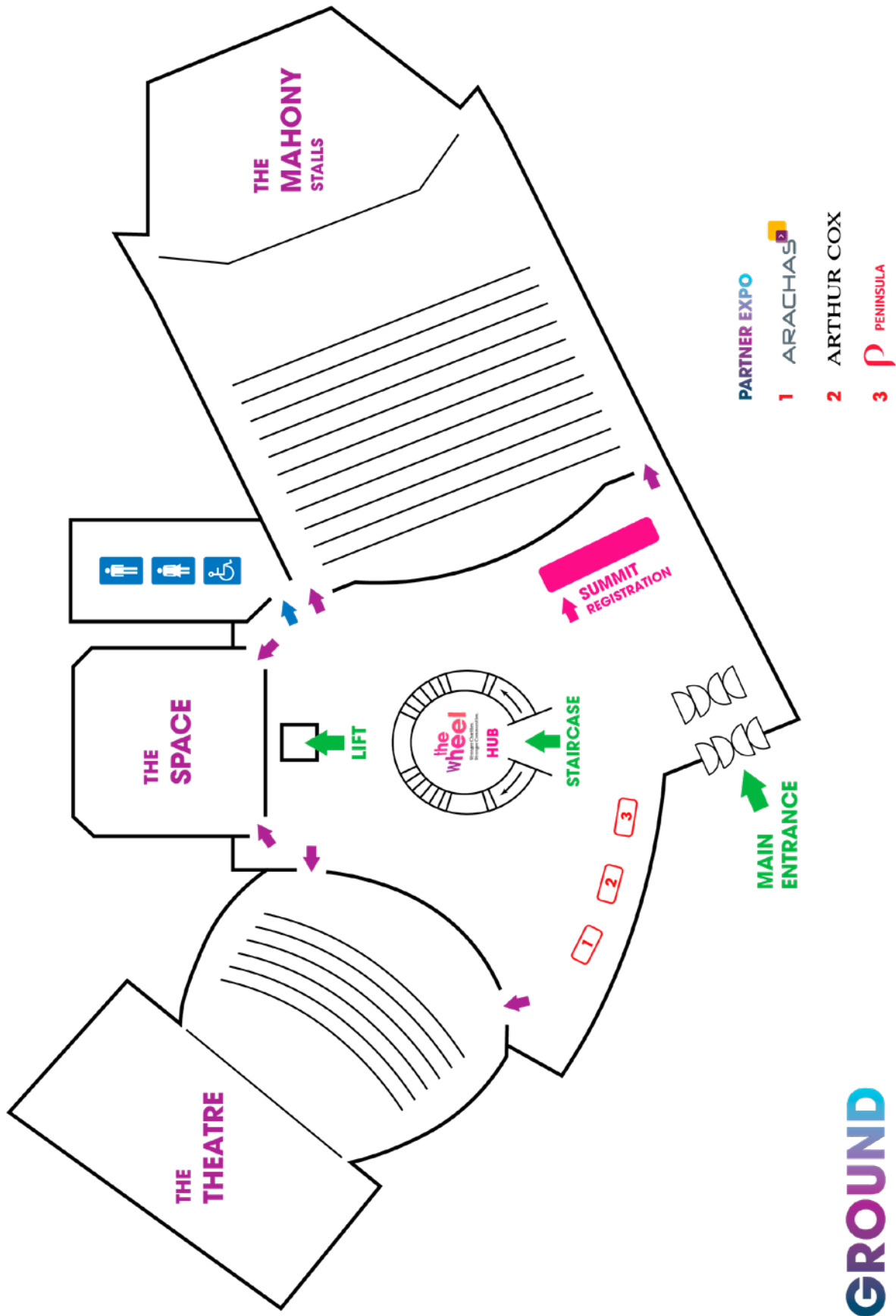
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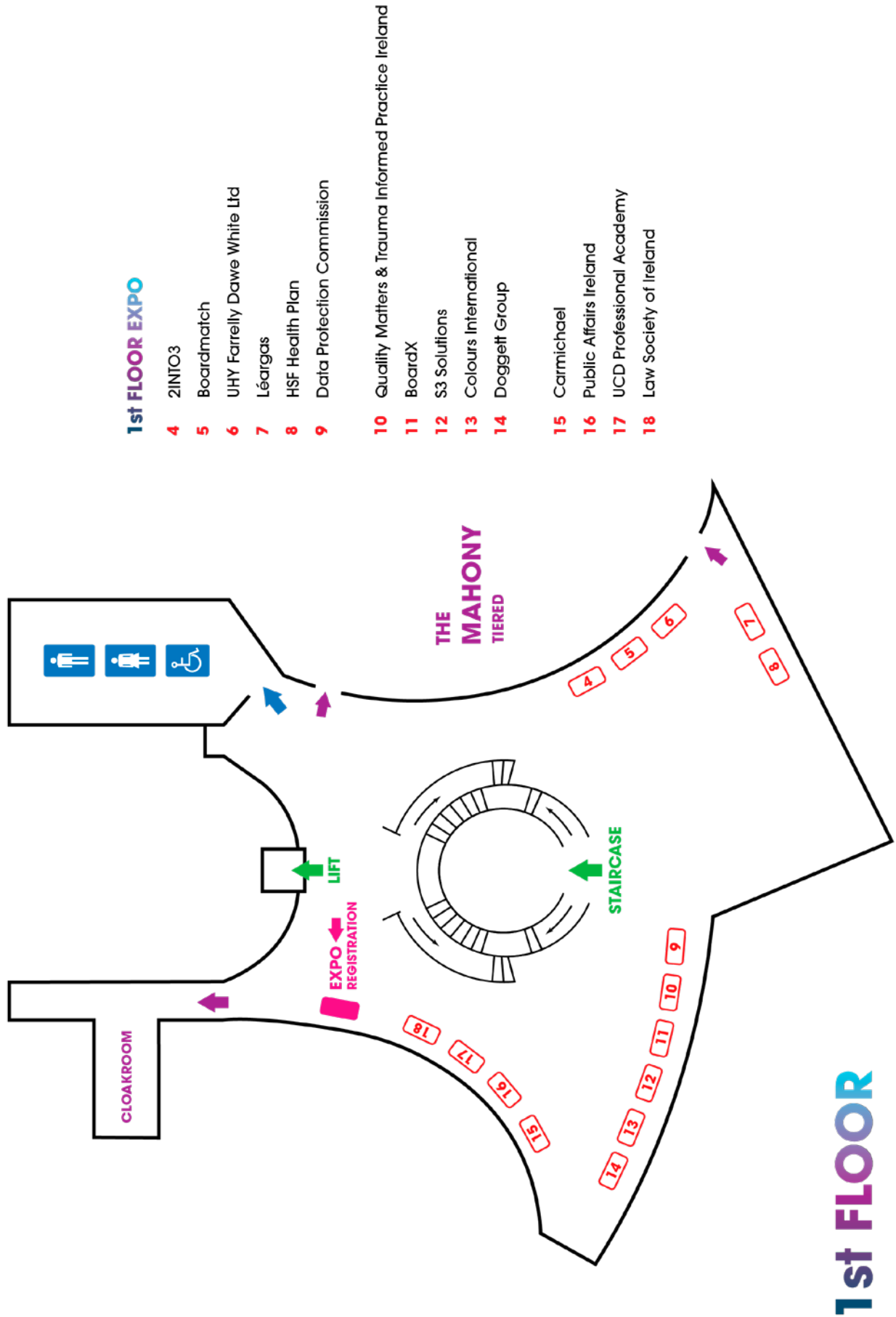
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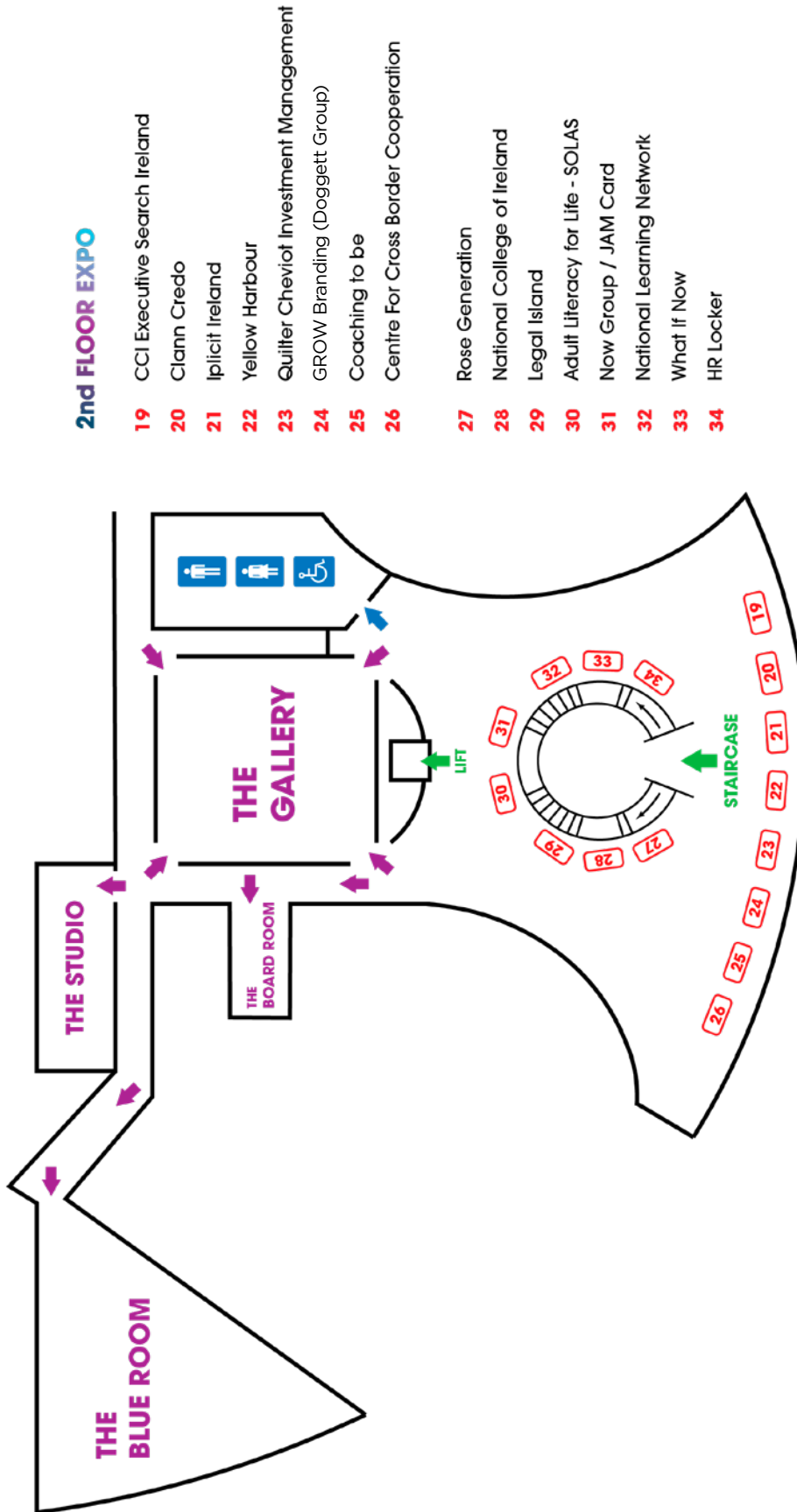
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| 4 | <p>2INTO3</p>  | <p>At 2into3, our mission is to build the capacity of organisations to have a transformative social impact. Since 2006, we have worked with over 600 social impact organisations, providing support within our Advisory, Public Funding, Philanthropy and Talent Services. Our offices in Dublin, Belfast, Galway, and Cork enables us to provide services to social impact organisations across Ireland. We’re also committed to working towards the National Philanthropy Policy’s Data and Research objective through our annual Giving Ireland Report, Irish Giving Index, Nonprofit Talent Trends, and other sectoral reports.</p> <p>Contact: Dennis O’ Connor Phone: 01 574 0033 Email: dennis@2into3.com Website: www.2into3.com</p> |








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| 5 | <p>Boardmatch</p>  | <p>Boardmatch is the only Irish charity that specialises in not-for-profit board recruitment.</p> <p>We match individuals willing to volunteer their skills at board level with not-for-profit board and committee vacancies. We believe a balanced mix of skilled voluntary trustees equips a charity to meet sector challenges and achieve its strategic goals.</p> <p>Our services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FREE online matching service, matching individuals to charity boards. • Bespoke Premium Board Search service. • Providing training packages and other supports for boards. <p>Our impact: 5,200 Candidates placed, 1,800 charities registered.</p> <p>Contact: Judith Power Phone: 01 675 5005 Email: judith@boardmatch.ie Website: www.boardmatch.ie</p> |
| 6 | <p>UHY Farrelly Dawe White Limited</p>  | <p>UHY Farrelly Dawe White is a leading Irish audit, tax and advisory firm, supporting charities, social enterprises, and organisations across Ireland with practical, trusted advice that strengthens governance, compliance, and long-term sustainability. With more than 80 professionals across four offices, we combine deep local understanding with the strength of the global UHY International network. We work alongside purpose-led organisations to help them navigate complexity, build resilience and create lasting impact in the communities they serve.</p> <p>Contact: Nicola Mernagh Phone: 042 939 4236 Email: NicolaMernagh@uhyfdw.ie Website: www.uhyfdw.ie</p> |
| 7 | <p>Léargas</p>  | <p>Léargas manage national and international programmes in youth work, education and training including Erasmus+ and the European Solidarity Corps. Our team are ready to help you to take your first steps into European projects. Speak to us to find out how to access European funding to upskill your staff and volunteers and develop your organisation.</p> <p>Contact: Jemma Lee Phone: 01 887 1208 Email: info@leargas.ie Website: www.leargas.ie</p> |
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| 9 | <p>The Data Protection Commission</p>  <p>An Coimisiún um Chosaint Sonraí Data Protection Commission</p> | <p>The Data Protection Commission (DPC) serves as Ireland’s independent authority for data protection, committed to championing individuals’ privacy rights through education, engagement, and enforcement. By overseeing compliance with data protection legislation, the DPC guides organisations toward embedding privacy principles at the core of their operations while ensuring consistent application of the law.</p> <p>Contact: Emer Bennett Phone: (01) 765 01 00 Email: consultation@dataprotection.ie Website: www.dataprotection.ie</p> |
| 10 | <p>Quality Matters & Trauma Informed Practice Ireland</p>  <p>Quality Matters INNOVATION FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE</p> <p>Trauma Informed Practice Ireland</p> | <p>Quality Matters is an Irish research nonprofit driving innovation for social justice. It supports charities, social enterprises, and state agencies through research, evaluation, strategic planning, and training- helping organisations serve people and communities better. Quality Matters leads two national initiatives: Trauma Informed Practice Ireland, embedding evidence-based trauma informed practice across Irish services, and Engagement Insight, Ireland’s only sector-benchmarked staff engagement tool- because a thriving workforce creates better outcomes for the people they serve.</p> <p>Contact: Philip Isard Phone: 01 872 0030 Email: philip@qualitymatters.ie Website: www.qualitymatters.ie</p> |
| 11 | <p>BoardX</p>  <p>BoardX</p> | <p>Governance shouldn’t be a guessing game. BoardX helps charities take the guesswork out of governance and compliance. Our platform replaces spreadsheets with a single, secure workspace for boards, policies, risk and compliance- while also supporting skills tracking, succession planning and diversity at Board level. With our “Compliance In a Box” approach, we turn complex requirements- from the Charities Governance Code to AHBRA, HSE, and GDPR- into clear, actionable steps, and you get real-time visibility of gaps and risks. The result: less admin, stronger oversight and Boards that can focus on delivering impact, not chasing compliance.</p> <p>Contact: David Malone Phone: 086 238 1143 Email: dmalone@boardx.io Website: www.boardx.io</p> |




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| 12 | <p>S3 Solutions</p>  | <p>S3 Solutions is a social change consultancy. We support organisations to access, manage and measure the impact of public funding. Our support is provided through three distinct but connected services:</p> <p>ImpactReady - secure online software that makes it easier for organisations to report on their social value and social impact.</p> <p>FundReady - subscription-based funding service providing advice, guidance, and practical support to write and submit funding applications.</p> <p>S3 Consulting - Feasibility Study, Business Cases & Appraisal, Strategic Planning and Masterplanning.</p> <p>Contact: Chris Hood Phone: 0044 7395 791291 Email: chris@impactready.co Website: www.s3solutions.co.uk</p> |
| 13 | <p>Colours International</p>  | <p>Powering Your Cause, One Garment at a Time. Welcome to Colours International, where your message becomes wearable</p> <p>Based in Dublin, we create custom apparel for charities, businesses, and individuals, offering high-quality screen printing and embroidery across 1,200+ garments and accessories. From volunteer uniforms and fundraising merch to branded apparel, we handle everything from design to delivery. We also provide full logistics support, including pick and pack, warehousing, and shipping, plus bespoke software that integrates with online fundraising platforms for complete order traceability and peace of mind. We're proud to support events like The Wheel's Summit and look forward to helping organisations bring their mission to life through custom merchandise made simple.</p> <p>Contact: Ian Bolton Phone: 01 4504 377 Email: marketing@colours.ie Website: www.colours.ie</p> |
| 14 | <p>Doggett Group</p>  | <p>We are here to help - with over 40 years experience in the printing industry, we have (nearly) seen it all! Doggett Group strive to offer sound advice, quality work and top class customer service. As The Wheel' Print Partner for over 15 years, we have placed ourselves as the number one choice for the charity and voluntary sector when it comes to design and print. With sustainability and the environment at the forefront, please speak to us about 'green print'.</p> <p>Contact: Ciaran O'Cuinneagain Phone: 086 917 2464 E-Mail: ciaran@doggettgroup.ie Website: www.doggettgroup.ie</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">     </div> |




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| 15 | <p>Carmichael</p>  | <p>Carmichael is a leading specialist training and support body for nonprofits in Ireland. Our training, support and resources enable our members and partners to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Better informed and equipped to carry out their own remits more effectively • Aware of and able to employ best practice for good governance • Better networked with and supported by peer organisations • More efficient and effectively run so that they are trusted by their funders and supporters. <p>With over 30 years' experience based on a foundation of 40+ resident organisations we provide expert guidance to nonprofits to support them to become more effective and impactful at what they do. We believe good governance is the beating heart of a healthy nonprofit sector.</p> <p>Contact: Andrew Madden Phone: 01 873 5702 Email: info@carmichaelireland.ie Website: www.carmichaelireland.ie</p> |
| 16 | <p>Public Affairs Ireland</p>  | <p>PAI is the trusted provider of specialist professional learning and development for the Public and Private Sector. Our mission at PAI is to foster and advance a culture of continuous, lifelong learning within organisations nationwide. Rooted in a public interest philosophy, we recognise the continuous demand for organisations to attain value for money while enhancing productivity, efficiency, and effectiveness. We are dedicated to inspiring and cultivating excellence across our customer base.</p> <p>Contact: Clodagh McGwynne Phone: 01 877 3910 Email: cmcgwynne@pai.ie Website: www.pai.ie</p> |
| 17 | <p>UCD Professional Academy</p>  | <p>Future-proof your career with the UCD Professional Academy. Designed for ambitious professionals, our 40+ Professional Academy Diplomas and 30+ Skill Sprints provide job-ready skills in areas such as AI, Leadership, and Project Management. With 53,000+ learners and trusted by 2,000+ companies, we offer flexible learning to fit your schedule, available live online, on-demand, or on-campus. Taught by Subject Matter Experts, our courses bridge the gap between theory and real-world application, empowering you to accelerate your professional growth.</p> <p>Contact: Susan Young Phone: 01 211 8580 Email: susan.young@ucd.ie Website: www.ucd.ie/professionalacademy</p> |

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| 18 | <p>Law Society of Ireland</p>  | <p>The Law Society of Ireland provides postgraduate courses that are open to those from a range of professions. Our primary aim is to offer high-quality, practical courses, covering a range of topics, from sports law to education law, with an emphasis on efficient and flexible delivery and welcoming customer service. Our Certificate in Charity Law Trusteeship & Governance aims to provide those working in the charity and voluntary sector with an overview of the law and best practice in the relevant areas.</p> <p>Contact: Odetta O’ Reilly Phone: 01 672 4884 Email: diplomateam@lawsociety.ie Website: www.lawsociety.ie</p> |
| 19 | <p>CCI Executive Search Ireland</p>   | <p>CCI Executive Search is a specialist recruitment firm dedicated to Ireland’s non-profit sector. Since 2015, it has supported organisations to attract and appoint talented leaders and key staff across fundraising, communications, operations and senior management. Its approach combines deep sector knowledge with an extensive network of engaged candidates and a proactive, targeted search process. With a strong track record of success across roles at all levels, it partners with non-profit organisations to make appointments that strengthen impact and support long-term organisational goals and growth.</p> <p>Contact: Laura Patten Phone: 01 524 2807 Email: laura@cciexecutivesearch.ie Website: www.cciexecutivesearch.ie www.charitycareersjobs.ie</p> |
| 20 | <p>Clann Credo</p>  | <p>Clann Credo is Ireland’s leading social finance provider, making fair and flexible impact lending accessible to community groups and social enterprises across the country. Since 1996, Clann Credo has supported more than 1,700 organisations, helping communities deliver projects that create lasting social impact. Working across areas including sport, housing, arts, climate action and community facilities, Clann Credo combines practical finance with a deep understanding of community development. Their mission is simple: to accelerate community action and help every community thrive.</p> <p>Contact: Emily Smith Phone: 01 400 2100 Email: emily@clanncredo.ie Website: www.clanncredo.ie</p> |
| 21 | <p>Iplicit Ireland</p>  | <p>iplicit Ireland delivers true cloud accounting software for nonprofits and charities. With over 30 years of Irish NFP experience, iplicit understands complex funding, governance and reporting needs. The platform offers powerful reporting, effortless SORP and SOFA compliance, secure audit-ready approvals, and restricted and designated funding at its core. Trusted by over 200 charities, with special pricing available for nonprofits. Chat with our nonprofit specialists to see how iplicit Ireland can support your charity.</p> <p>Contact: Laura Dixon Phone: 087 419 0140 Email: laura.dixon@iplicit.ie Website: www.iplicit.ie</p> |

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| 22 | <p>Yellow Harbour</p>  | <p>Yellow Harbour supports not-for-profits, charities and volunteer organisations with grant writing and digital communications. It helps teams reduce pressure by taking care of funding applications and communications work, allowing them to focus on frontline services. Working alongside clients with care, clarity and trust, Yellow Harbour provides practical support for organisations that are stretched, busy and wearing too many hats, helping them build confidence and pursue grant opportunities successfully.</p> <p>Contact: Louise O’ Sullivan Phone: 086 174 8649 Email: louise@yellowharbour.com Website: www.yellowharbour.com</p> |
| 23 | <p>Quilter Cheviot, Investment Management</p>  | <p>We are always mindful that the investments are held to further the charity’s objectives. Part of our role is to help you make informed decisions in the best interests of your organisation. To achieve this, we will work with you to gain an in-depth understanding of your aspirations for the future and the ongoing challenges facing your organisation. Open two-way dialogue is the key to a successful relationship, and we are always conscious of the responsibilities facing trustees. We use our experience and investment expertise to help to assess the right investment strategy to meet your aims and objectives. Part of our initial discussion is to explore the various options to achieve and help you understand the potential risk and rewards of adopting particular strategies for your charity’s objectives.</p> <p>Contact: Daragh Murphy Phone: (01) 799 6922 Email: daragh.murphy@quiltercheviot.com Website: www.quiltercheviot.com</p> |
| 24 | <p>GROW Branding</p>  | <p>We are an Irish promotional merchandise company specialising in eco-friendly, sustainable products. As part of the Doggett Group, a long-established Dublin print and design company, we combine decades of expertise with a forward-thinking approach to sustainability.</p> <p>We specialise in sustainable merchandise designed to reduce environmental impact. Many of our products are made from recycled, renewable, or biodegradable materials.</p> <p>By choosing eco-conscious merchandise, you reduce waste, support responsible production, and show your customers and employees that your brand values the planet.</p> <p>Contact: Ciaran O’Cuinneagain Phone: 086 917 2464 E-Mail: hello@growbranding.ie Website: www.growbranding.ie</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">     </div> |

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| 25 | <p>Coaching to be</p>  | <p>Coaching to be provides Leadership Coaching and Strategic Mentoring for individuals and purpose-driven groups who want to think clearly, lead consciously and deepen their impact. This work creates space for greater clarity about who you are, what you stand for and the difference you want to make. It helps uncover strengths, broaden perspectives and build resilience – empowering people to lead themselves, others and their organisation with greater awareness, intention, and strategic direction.</p> <p>Contact: Fiona Callan Phone: 087 9793782 Email: info@coachingtobe.ie Website: www.coachingtobe.ie</p> |
| 26 | <p>Centre for Cross Border Cooperation</p>  | <p>The Centre for Cross Border Cooperation is an independent organisation with charitable status, based in Armagh. Our work is framed by the commitment to cross-border cooperation that is integral to the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement. By empowering citizens and building capacity, we promote and support cooperation across the Ireland-Northern Ireland border as part of the ongoing peace and reconciliation process, as well as cooperation between the island of Ireland and Great Britain, Europe and beyond to increase mutual understanding, prosperity, and wellbeing.</p> <p>Contact: Mark McClatchey Phone: +44 (0)28 9097 1409 Email: Projects@crossborder.ie Website: www.crossborder.ie</p> |
| 27 | <p>Rose Regeneration- Impact Measurement & Social Value</p>  | <p>HSF Social value and impact measurement are at the heart of Rose Regeneration’s work. We partner with community groups, social enterprises and voluntary organisations to help them understand, evidence and grow the difference they make. Our approach is people powered- rooted in real stories, lived experience and the strengths already present in communities. We also support future planning through governance reviews, strategy development, business planning, skills audits, succession planning, fundraising and income strategies, and due diligence for collaboration or growth. We strengthen local organisations and the communities they serve.</p> <p>Contact: Conor McGale Phone: 0044 (0)7745 665290 Email: Conor.mcgale@roseregeneration.co.uk Website: www.roseregeneration.co.uk/</p> |

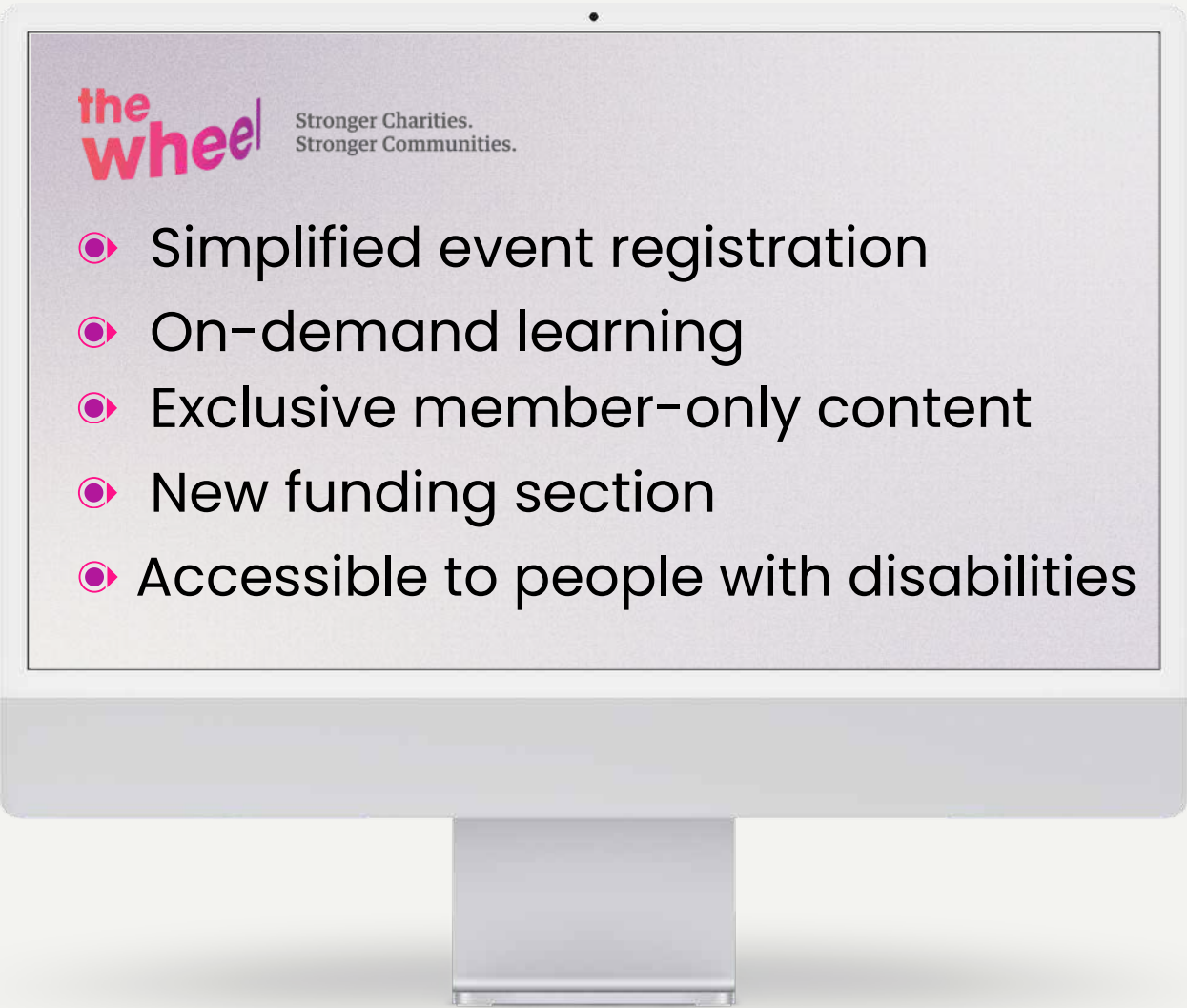
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| 28 | <p>National College of Ireland</p>  | <p>National College of Ireland has nearly 75 years' experience providing part-time education to busy people. Programmes, delivered both online and on NCI's recently extended campus in Dublin's IFSC, include Leaders for Change: Non-Profit Leadership and Management, a Level 9 certificate delivered in partnership with The Wheel and Quality Matters. Through its focus on sectoral issues, this programme prepares future non-profit senior managers and CEOs and could lead to an MBA. Applications through RPEL (Recognition of Prior Experiential Learning) are welcome.</p> <p>Contact: Regina Dunne Phone: 01 4498656 Email: Regina.Dunne@ncirl.ie Website: www.ncirl.ie</p> |
| 29 | <p>Legal Island</p>  | <p>Legal Island helps Irish charities protect and support their people with affordable, expert-led workplace training. Our all-staff eLearning covers vital areas like Data Protection, Workplace Bullying, D&I, and Wellbeing. We also offer specialist HR training through expert-led conferences and events. For everyday support, our Employment Law Hub delivers practical, up-to-date guidance tailored to Irish employment law. Over 1,250 organisations trust us to simplify compliance and strengthen their training plans.</p> <p>Contact: Glen Bell Phone: 01 401 3874 Email: Glen@legal-island.com Website: www.legal-island.ie</p> |
| 30 | <p>Adult Literacy for Life- SOLAS</p>  | <p>Adult Literacy for Life (ALL) is a 10-year strategy that aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ensure that every adult has the necessary literacy, numeracy and digital literacy to fully engage in society and realise their potential; and support organisations and services to be literacy friendly. <p>We have a network of 16 Regional Literacy Coordinators across Ireland who are working with community and voluntary groups to help them become more literacy friendly.</p> <p>Contact: Talent Nyamakope Phone: 01 533 2383 Email: talent.nyamakope@solas.ie Website: www.solas.ie/alnd-strategy</p> |
| 31 | <p>Now Group/ Jam Card</p>  | <p>The JAM Card and JAM App is the FREE, easy and discreet way to let others know that you need 'Just A Minute' of patience and support. The JAM Card is useful when on public transport, in a retail or any other customer facing environment. You can also download the JAM Card App directly to any smart phone. The JAM Card© was created by NOW Group, a social enterprise that supports people with learning difficulties and autism into jobs with a future across Ireland.</p> <p>Contact: Maeve Withington Phone: 01 278 6647 Email: maeve.withington@nowgroup.org Website: www.jamcard.org / www.nowgroup.org</p> |

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| 32 | <p>National Learning Network</p>  | <p>NLN College East is a new education and training hub in the heart of Dublin. The college is the result of the merger of our Roslyn and Ballyfermot campuses. Bringing both centres together has allowed us to create a bigger, better, purpose-built facility in the heart of Dublin. Built to reflect National Learning Network’s values of inclusion, empowerment, and personalised education, NLN College East is more than just a college, it’s a community built around the belief that learning should adapt to the student.</p> <p>Contact: Amanda Grech Phone: 086 822 9195 Email: amanda.grech@nlm.ie Website: www.nlm.ie</p> |
| 33 | <p>What If Now</p>  | <p>What If Now is an Irish AI consultancy built for charities, housing bodies and regulated non-profits. Co-founded by Paul Thompson, formerly of Google and LinkedIn, and Lar Judge, former Head of Agentic-Engineering at ANZ Bank, we find the manual, repetitive work eating your team’s time and build the right tools to handle it automatically. We are also the team behind RightToStay.ie, a free AI tool helping Irish tenants know their rights in plain English. Because we believe AI should work for everyone.</p> <p>Contact: Paul Thompson Phone: 086 410 7710 Email: paul@whatifnow.ie Website: www.whatifnow.ie</p> |
| 34 | <p>HR Locker</p>  | <p>HRLocker is an all-in-one HR software platform designed to simplify and streamline people management for growing businesses. From leave management and time tracking to performance reviews, document storage, and employee records, HRLocker brings everything into one secure, easy-to-use system. By automating manual HR tasks and improving visibility across your workforce, HRLocker helps companies save time, reduce admin costs, and create a better employee experience.</p> <p>Contact: Stephen O’ Riordain Phone: 085 128 4326 Email: stephen.oriordan@hrlocker.com Website: www.hrlocker.com</p> |



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The **NEW** Common Charter

for cooperation within
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Empowering civic society to drive cooperation,
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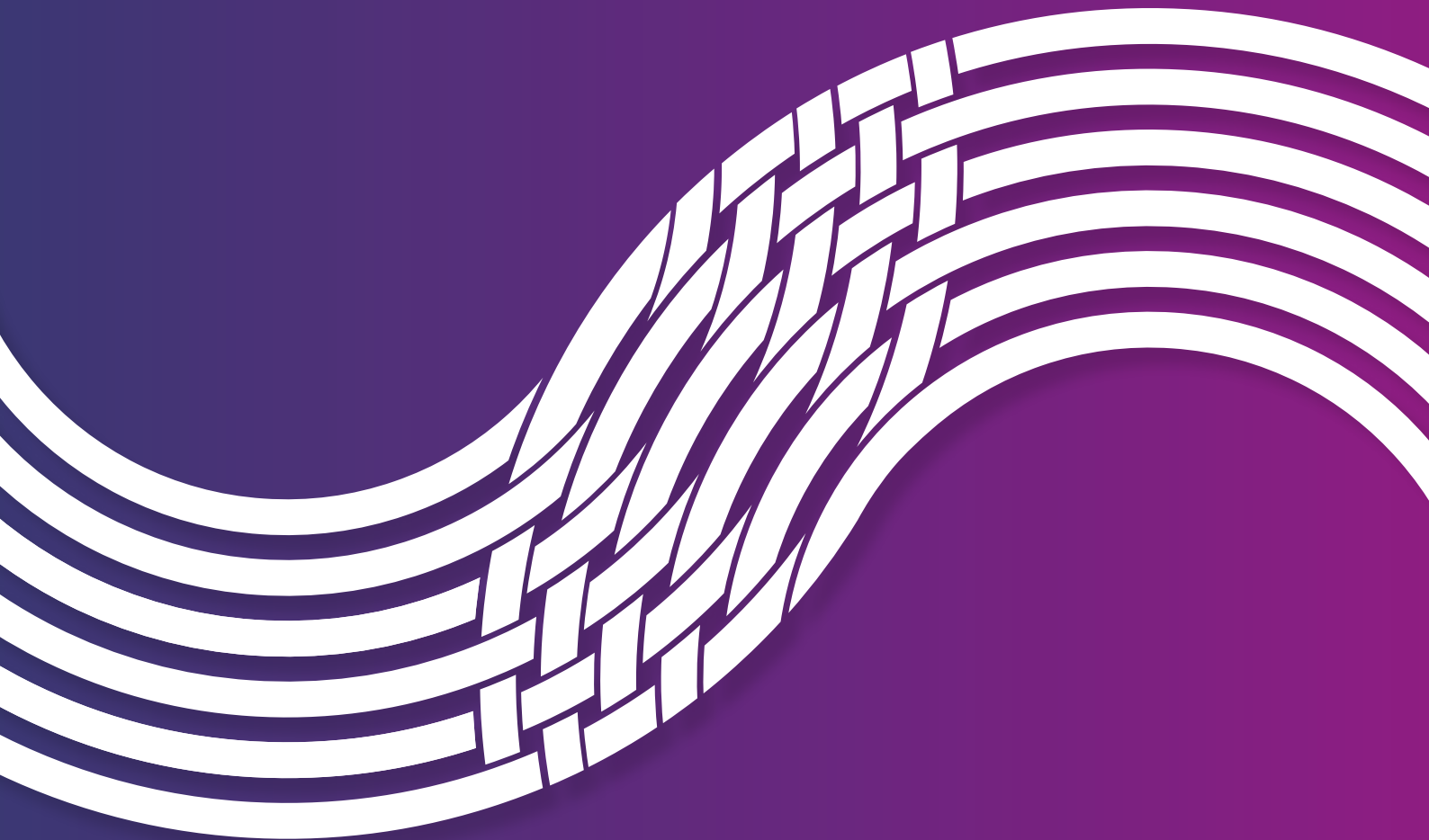
- Identifying cross-border opportunities to collaborate to solve shared problems or exploit common resources
- Increasing opportunities to share information, knowledge of policy and best-practice
- Engaging with decision makers to match policy to the realities on the ground
- Protecting the environment as well as the importance of cooperation between environmental advocates and authorities
- Promoting community as a means to enhance deliberative democracy
- Valuing and accepting languages whose roots may cross the borders within and between our islands
- Championing community ownership of local assets and decision making
- Promoting cross-border friendly relations and allowing for difficult conversations
- Promoting a civil society that values diversity and is able to disagree respectfully
- Facilitating the exploration and celebration of culture and heritage with a view to future cooperation
- Engaging with and supporting human rights, particularly for the most isolated and marginalised in our communities.

If your organisation is interested in joining the network of supporters of the New Common Charter, please contact projects@crossborder.ie at the Centre for Cross Border Cooperation for more information.



The Wheel is Ireland's national association of charities, community groups, and social enterprises. As a representative voice, we provide leadership to the sector and advocate on behalf of our growing community of members. As a supportive resource, we offer advice, training, and other opportunities to people working or volunteering in the sector.

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